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Assignee: Silicon Genetics  
Title: AUTONOMOUS DATA MINING  
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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicant respectfully requests preliminary amendment of the above referenced application as indicated below. A marked-up page showing the requested changes is also included. In the event that this method of amending a specification does not comply with recent changes to §1.121, Applicant respectfully requests further guidance how to comply with this section and additional time so as to correctly amend the specification.

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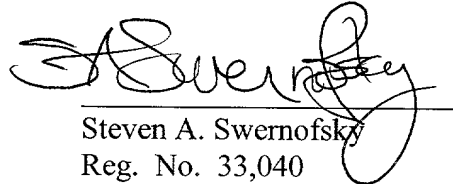
## "STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

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MARKED-UP

This application is submitted in the name of the following inventor(s):

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Autonomous Data Mining

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION